Software developers take part in a "hackathon" organized by USAID's HealthIT to develop digital health applications. Photo credit: Raphael Pundo/HealthIT

KENYA

HEALTHIT

USAID's HealthIT helps make quality data available for better health care by providing technical support to the Government of Kenya on health information systems and digital health. In collaboration with other implementing partners and universities, HealthIT has supported both national ministries and counties with the development, enhancement, and evolution of critical information systems. HealthIT is based at the University of Nairobi as a local partner to the Government of Kenya, with the aim of providing a long-term sustainable partnership in capacity building, technical assistance, and systems evaluation.

OUR WORK

HealthIT is responsible for the maintenance and enhancement of the national Kenya Health Information System (KHIS), which provides data for health planning and performance monitoring, and related subsystems – such as the Kenya Master Health Facility List, the Ministry of Health Virtual Academy, the Ministry of Health Data Analytics Platform, and the KenyaEMR electronic medical records system. Through the University of Nairobi, HealthIT provides a data center to help back up the Ministry of Health systems and cloud services for the development, testing, training, and incubation of applications.

HealthIT also provides technical support to the National AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infection Control Program for managing the HIV viral load system. It provides maintenance and manages access to the system by the Ministry of Health, service delivery partners and other stakeholders.

Additionally, HealthIT provides technical support to the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection for the Child Protection Information Management System, which is used by the Kenyan Government and partners with the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS relief to manage and report services provided to orphans and vulnerable children.

Finally, HealthIT supports the Public Health Environment System, which is used by USAID partners to report malaria and reproductive, maternal, newborn, child, and adolescent health data.

ACHIEVEMENTS

HealthIT has supported Kenya's health care sector by:

- Ensuring the timely enhancement and management of the digital health ecosystem by the Ministry of Health's local partners.
- Enabling seamless and ubiquitous data exchanges between various data systems.
- Improving the capacity of the national and county health ministries, local universities, and private sector in health information systems.

BUDGET: USD $24,758,506

DURATION
2016-2023

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS
National

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